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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, March 11, 2022, at 10 a.m.

Senate

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(Legislative day of Monday, March 7, 2022)

The Senate met at 10 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the Honorable Jacky Rosen, a Senator from the State of Nevada.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, as the war in Ukraine continues, we look to You. Lord, You have been our help in ages past. You are our hope for the years to come. You continue to be our shelter from the storms of evil that buffet our world. You cause the enemies of freedom to retreat.

Today, execute judgment from Your throne as You use our Senators for Your glory. Lord, rule the nations with fairness, and continue to be our refuge in times of trouble.

We pray in Your merciful Name.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Presiding Officer led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication

to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. LEAHY).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 10, 2022.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JACKY ROSEN, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
President pro tempore,

Ms. ROSEN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Democratic leader is recognized.

GOVERNMENT FUNDING

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, last night, the House of Representatives passed the strongest, boldest, and most significant government funding package we have seen in a very long time, bringing us one step closer to fully funding the government for the 2022 fiscal year.

As we all know, funding the government is a basic responsibility of Congress, but rarely does this responsibility arrive at such a critical moment for our country and for the world. War has erupted in Europe, and Americans are looking to relief from rising costs, and this package is critical for facing these challenges.

After weeks of hard work, I am pleased to report that this bipartisan funding package represents a robust and unapologetic investment in the American people: It will give our troops a raise, provide more money for schools and Head Start programs and Pell Grants, reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act, fund the President's Cancer Moonshot, and open the floodgates for funding the bipartisan infrastructure law. This funding bill is overflowing with very good things for our troops, for American jobs, for our families, and for America.

Once this bill arrives at the Senate, Republicans must work with Democrats to pass the bill as soon as possible—hopefully, tonight. There is every reason in the world to believe that we can arrive at a path forward quickly.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

